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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1575 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Dual College Credit Program.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Austin

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill allows the Commission for Higher Education, (ICHE), to set a cap on student fees for courses taken under the Double-Up for College Program and taught by high school teachers in a high school setting.

Effective Date: July 1, 2011.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: The impact on state education institutions would depend on the cap on students enrolled in the Double-Up for College Program taught in the local school setting.

<u>Background:</u> The Indiana Concurrent Enrollment Partnership established by the 2008 General Assembly has collected information on concurrent enrollment. Based on data collected, about 32,000 students were taking concurrent enrollment classes at 312 high schools and public and private colleges. There was a maximum of about 166 high schools who were not offering classes. The partnership estimates that about 17,100 additional students in the 166 high schools might take concurrent enrollment classes.

The Department of Education has also begun collecting information on students taking dual credit classes. In the 2008-2009 school year, 119 school corporations reported having 8,984 students taking dual credit classes. Of the 8,984 student about 4,166 were enrolled in the Double- Up Program. The majority of the students in the program were juniors (1,539 students) and seniors (2,517 students).

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Public schools receive funding for the students taking concurrent enrollment classes through the school formula, and universities receive funding from enrollment growth and tuition charged to students.

Universities cannot charge tuition for students eligible for free or reduced lunch. The tuition charged by universities for other students for concurrent enrollment courses varies from nothing at Ivy Tech Community College to \$89 per credit hour. The cost is below the tuition charged for a full-tuition student, which ranges from \$132 to \$263 per credit hour.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State educational institutions, Commission for Higher Education

<u>Local Agencies Affected:</u> Local Schools.

Information Sources: Department of Education databases.

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